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# PENALTIES FOR BOXERS.

Are Discussed at a Meeting of the Foreign Minsters.

Peking, Oct. 26, via Tokyo, Oct. 26, and Shanghai, Oct. 27.—The minister of foreign affairs today at the house of the Japanese minister. The session lasted two hours and the only question discussed was as to the punishment for the chief officials who were responsible for the Boxer outbreak.

The meeting was very harmonious, and there was no serious disagreement as to the extent of the punishment that should be meted out. An adjournment was taken until October 29, and the intention is to hold further meetings before a conference is held with Prince Ching and Li Hung Chang, the Chinese prime minister. At this conference the ministers have agreed to unite on a policy to be formulated.

Much alarm is felt over the reports of the intention of the Chinese to depose the emperor of Senkai and Ching Ching, the emperor of Wuhan, who have been very friendly to foreigners during the recent troubles. Mr. Conger, the American minister, went to Li Hung Chang and asked whether this was true. Li replied that the report was not only not true, but that such action was farthest from the emperor's thoughts.

The report was repeated to Mr. Conger today, and he formally protested to Li Hung Chang against the deposing of these officials. The belief here is that it means the railway from Tong Ku to Niu Ching.

The second force outside of the republican party that is making more powerful head against Bryan with every day nearer election is the disgusted determination of so many democrats to get rid of him once for all, and cleanse the party of his follies and mischiefs for future reorganization. This purpose has always been present among democrats—even those that make a fetish of regularly—and they positively concur in his nomination. Now it is coming out into the open with the increasing justification of Bryan's assaults on property and business.

MR. ROSE'S GOOD SHOWING.

Springfield Journal. The advance sheets of Secretary of State Rose's second biennial report for the two years ending September 30 contain a great number of items of interest. It shows the total collection of fees for the last two years to be \$471,905, or an average daily collection of \$1,073.17. It shows the total collection for the last four years to be \$1,094,400.51, or an average daily collection for four years of \$273.54.

These figures stand out in great contrast when compared with the reports of Mr. Rose's predecessor for the four years ending Sept. 30, 1896, as follows: Total collections of Rose, \$1,094,400.51; Total collections of McKinley, \$1,094,400.51; Total collections of McKinley, \$1,094,400.51.

Excess of Rose's collections over McKinley's, \$782,785.29; Average daily collections by Rose, \$177.63; Average daily collections of McKinley, \$252.41.

Excess of average daily collections of Rose over McKinley, \$225.92. The total collections made by Mr. Rose during the four years are about equal to the total collections made by all of the secretaries of state who have preceded him.

Inasmuch as the fees in the secretary of state's office are drawn very largely from the business world, they show very conclusively the difference in the business being transacted during the present republican administration and the business transacted during the late democratic administration, thereby furnishing a fair barometer of the business condition of the country.

Mr. Rose's report also will contain some valuable suggestions on the subject of state contracts, which we believe, if followed, will not only cause a saving of money to the state, but will result in the procuring for the state of a better class of work and at the same time will have a tendency to get rid of much of the friction and unpleasantness continually coming up in connection with state contracts. The report also gives a complete list of all the corporations, foreign and domestic, that have procured licenses to do business in this state during the past two years.

Another item of interest shown by the report is that, while the volume of state printing has continually increased, still the printing has not only been done with in the appropriations but that a surplus has been left. In fact, the report will show a surplus in almost every appropriation.

From Skagway.

Seattle, Oct. 28.—Steamer Dolphin arrived from Skagway today with 170 passengers and \$200,000 in gold from the Klondike.

Killed by Automobile.

Paris, Oct. 28.—Gaston Dubouché, a well known figure in Parisian society, was killed today by an automobile accident.

Resigned.

J. G. Bennett has resigned his position as the J. G. Lloyd grocery house. He is undecided about his plans for the future at present.

Chicago, Oct. 28.—The postoffice clerks of Chicago today entered the ranks of the trades unionists. The clerks have affiliated themselves with the American Federation of Labor, a new organization to be known as "Chicago Postoffice Clerks' Union." It is claimed that practically all the 1400 postoffice employees of Chicago are included in the move.

Foremost among the objects for which the new union strives will be the abolition of the eight hour work day for letter carriers throughout the country.

Berlin, Oct. 27.—Prince Christian of Schleswig-Holstein is here as the guest of the British ambassador, Sir Frank G. Lascelles, and the Duke and Duchess Ernest Günther of Schleswig-Holstein. The prince's purpose is to effect the divorce of his daughter, the Princess Louise Auguste, from her husband, Prince Aristo of Anhalt. The Princess of Anhalt is now in America.

Two High School Boys Killed.

Alto Pass, Oct. 27.—Loren Lewis and George Corgan, two prominent high school boys of this place, aged about 17, were found dead beside the Mobile & Ohio track, near Robertson Switch eight miles north of here, early this morning. The boys were heading their way home from a republican rally at Maryborough, and it is supposed they were pushed or thrown from the blind language of passenger train No. 3. Both boys belonged to well known families here. The exact manner in which they met their death will probably never be known. The verdict of the coroner's jury of Jackson county is: "Partial cause to their death from causes unknown." A large democratic rally planned for tonight here was postponed on account of the tragedy.

Nervy Woman.

Geneva, Oct. 28.—Miss Bertha Austria of this place was struck by a Lake Shore passenger train while returning home in a carriage. Her horse was killed instantly and she was hurled against the train, sustaining injuries which will prove fatal in a few hours. She lay unconscious in the rails for an hour and on regaining her senses crawled on her hands and knees a quarter of a mile to a farmhouse. Her right ribs were broken, two of them punctured her lungs, so that blood was flowing freely from her mouth and nose.















